

CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator: Jenzo Duque	Team: Squad #9	CCRB Case #: 201801948	<input type="checkbox"/> Force	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discourt.	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S.
			<input type="checkbox"/> Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> O.L.	<input type="checkbox"/> Injury
Incident Date(s) Saturday, 03/10/2018 3:47 PM	Location of Incident: Main Street and Northern Boulevard	Precinct: 109	18 Mo. SOL 9/10/2019	EO SOL 9/10/2019	
Date/Time CV Reported Sun, 03/11/2018 3:00 PM	CV Reported At: Precinct	How CV Reported: In-person	Date/Time Received at CCRB Mon, 03/12/2018 4:42 PM		
Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Address			
Witness(es)	Home Address				
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command		
1. POM Thomas Campanelli	05286	956483	109 PCT		
Witness Officer(s)	Shield No	Tax No	Cmd Name		
1. POM Christophe Grebosz	05170	948038	109 PCT		
Officer(s)	Allegation			Investigator Recommendation	
A.POM Thomas Campanelli	Discourtesy: Police Officer Thomas Campanelli spoke discourteously to § 87(2)(b)				

Case Summary

§ 87(2)(b) filed this complaint in-person at the 109th Precinct stationhouse on March 11, 2018 and it was received via fax at the CCRB on the same date.

On March 10, 2018, at approximately 3:47 p.m. in the vicinity of Main Street and Northern Boulevard in Queens, § 87(2)(b) was driving home with his family when he was stopped by PO Thomas Campanelli of the 109th Precinct, after making an eastbound turn onto Northern Boulevard. PO Campanelli issued § 87(2)(b) two summonses, one for § 87(2)(b) and the other for § 87(2)(b). § 87(2)(b) objected to the stop and refused to take the two summonses from PO Campanelli. PO Campanelli then placed the two summonses beneath § 87(2)(b)'s windshield wipers and began walking away from § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle. As PO Campanelli walked away, § 87(2)(b) allegedly heard him state, "I don't give a fuck," (**Allegation A: Discourtesy**, § 87(2)(g) PO Campanelli did not arrest § 87(2)(b) but he did issue him the two aforementioned summonses.

There was no video footage available for this incident.

Findings and Recommendations

Allegation (A) Discourtesy: PO Thomas Campanelli spoke discourteously to § 87(2)(b)

It is undisputed that on March 10, 2018, at approximately 3:47 p.m., in the vicinity of Main Street and Northern Boulevard, § 87(2)(b) was driving northbound on Main Street when he made an eastbound turn onto Northern Boulevard. Three other individuals were present in § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle, identified by the investigation as his father-in-law, § 87(2)(b) his mother-in-law, § 87(2)(b) and his § 87(2)(b) infant. After driving through the intersection, § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle was stopped by a marked police vehicle, and PO Campanelli exited it. PO Campanelli approached § 87(2)(b)'s window, requested his license and registration, and then returned to the police vehicle. When PO Campanelli exited the police vehicle and approached § 87(2)(b)'s window a second time, he had two summonses (Board Review 01) to issue to him. PO Campanelli handed § 87(2)(b)'s license and registration back to him, but § 87(2)(b) refused to take the summonses. PO Campanelli placed the two summonses beneath the windshield wipers of § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle and began to walk away. § 87(2)(g)

According to § 87(2)(b)'s verified statement (Board Review 02), when PO Campanelli first approached his vehicle, § 87(2)(b) asked about the reason for the stop. PO Campanelli did not answer and instead asked for § 87(2)(b)'s license and registration before returning to his police vehicle. During the interim between the first and the second approach, § 87(2)(b) leaned outside his window twice and looked towards the police vehicle parked behind him. He observed a second officer, identified by the investigation as PO Chris Grebosz, in the front passenger seat and PO Campanelli in the driver's seat. When PO Campanelli approached the stopped vehicle a second time, § 87(2)(b) observed two summonses in his hands, and he began to object to their issuance. After PO Campanelli placed the summonses beneath the windshield wipers of § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle, § 87(2)(b) stated that he would file a complaint against him at the Precinct stationhouse. PO Campanelli then began to walk away and stated, "I don't give a fuck."

§ 87(2)(b) declined to provide the CCRB with contact information for § 87(2)(b) or § 87(2)(b). Neither § 87(2)(b) nor § 87(2)(b) provided the CCRB with witness statements.

In PO Campanelli's statement to the CCRB (Board Review 03), PO Campanelli testified that he and PO Grebosz were inside their stationary vehicle at the center median of Northern Boulevard, when he observed § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle make an eastbound turn onto Northern Boulevard. § 87(2)(b) did not yield to pedestrians nor signal his turn, so PO Campanelli stopped his vehicle. When PO Campanelli approached § 87(2)(b)'s window and asked for his license and registration, § 87(2)(b) asked about the reason for the stop and PO Campanelli explained it to him. PO Campanelli then returned to his police vehicle and drafted the summonses. The second time he approached § 87(2)(b)'s window, PO Campanelli returned § 87(2)(b)'s documentation and tried to give him the two summonses. § 87(2)(b) would not take the summonses and asked PO Campanelli to explain again why he had been stopped. PO Campanelli reiterated the reason for the stop and § 87(2)(b) still refused to take the summonses. PO Campanelli placed the summonses beneath the windshield wipers of § 87(2)(b)'s vehicle and § 87(2)(b) stated, "You piece of shit. You fucking asshole. I'm going to make sure you lose your job." PO Campanelli stated, "Best of luck," to § 87(2)(b) and then returned to his police vehicle. PO Campanelli denied stating, "I don't give a fuck," to § 87(2)(b).

In PO Grebosz's statement to the CCRB (Board Review 04), PO Grebosz stated that § 87(2)(b) remained in the police vehicle while PO Campanelli approached § 87(2)(b)'s window after stopping him. PO Grebosz could not hear any of the statements made by either party when PO Campanelli approached § 87(2)(b)'s window. PO Grebosz did not hear PO Campanelli make any statements while drafting the summonses or after PO Campanelli issued the summonses and returned to the police vehicle. PO Grebosz did not recall PO Campanelli mentioning anything about the motorist, and PO Grebosz did not recall PO Campanelli stating that the motorist was difficult or challenging the summonses. PO Grebosz did not hear PO Campanelli use profanity while speaking with § 87(2)(b) or while walking back to his police vehicle.

§ 87(2)(g)

§ 87(2)(b)

Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories

- This is the first CCRB complaint to which § 87(2)(b) has been a party (Board Review 05).
- PO Thomas Campanelli has been a member-of-service for three years and this is the first CCRB complaint to which § 87(2)(b) has been a subject.

Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories

- § 87(2)(b) declined to mediate this complaint.
- A FOIL request was sent to the New York City Comptroller's Office and as of the writing of this report, the office has not yet replied.
- [§ 87(2)(b)] [§§ 86(1)(3)&(4)] [§ 87(2)(c)]

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